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1. On 20 December the South China Fleet and Central and South China Marine Corps units held amphibious maneuvers in the Bocca Tigris area under the direction of TENG Chao-hsiang to test the fighting strength of the marines and the capabilities of the new Soviet flame throwers, which have a range of 30 yards and new Soviet "double disked" sub-machine guns. All artillery units at Shachiao (沙角), Hsiaopien (曹邊), Weiyuan (威遠), and Huangting (橫行), in the Bocca Tigris area, have been supplied with these flame throwers.
2. During these maneuvers 600 marines, using 3 LST's and supported by 5 gunboats, attempted a landing on the beach near Shachiao, but were easily repulsed by defenders of the area.

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Vladivostok on 17 or 18 December in command of ships which the Soviets had turned over to the Chinese Communists.

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